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## GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. Eleven.

Part B for

December 1922.

### SUBJECT

Proposals for increasing the powers of Bench Courts.

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To

The Registrar, Chief Court.

The District Magistrates of Dts.

No. 4910-18 of 28.4.22

Lays down rules regarding the powers of Bench Courts.

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7/11/22

(For Disposal at a Meeting)

No. C. 449

1921-22

**GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.**

**Council Matter.**

**SUBJECT.**

(Clause xii of the schedule)

Proposal for increasing the powers of Bench Courts.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

*[Signature]*

27th March 1922.

Chief Secretary to Government.

Extraordinary Member of Council.

*[Signature]*  
4.4.22

First Member of Council.

Second Member of Council.

*[Signature]*  
2.4.22

Third Member of Council.

*[Signature]*  
25/3

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1.4.22

## Routine Notes.

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record.]

From

The Residents of  
Mudigere Taluk.

Prays that the Amildar  
of the Taluk may  
be interested with  
2nd class powers  
and the Bench should  
be abolished or that  
a Special Magistrate  
Court may be opened  
in Mudigere.

Ordered: It is understood  
~~that~~ from the  
Civil list that Mr.  
C. Janga Rao is the  
Amildar of the Taluk  
and the power register  
shows that he is  
exercising 3rd  
class powers. The  
petition will, if appd,  
be sent to the D. H. Master,  
for disposal.

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips,  
the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on  
this form.

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At the Separation Scheme

Routine Notes.

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been introduced. in the Kadur & all the Amildars of the & have been appointed ex officio second class magistrates. But they are prohibited from trying cases.

The alternative prayer, viz. establi-ga & sp magis canl—at Hudgare seems also impracticable.

The p<sup>er</sup>son complain that they have to go a long distance to attend the chickmagal <sup>Idlan</sup> magis canl even for ordinary cases, & thus to the ground of their prayer referred to. If any relief on this score is considered necessary, the gushan of investing the Pench canl with II class powers may perhaps be considered, in consultation with dis. St. Magis, Kadur.

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Said magis

If appl<sup>d</sup>, the W. M. will be consulted on this point also.

V.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

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3<sup>rd</sup> Member. — Have or not called for proposals to enhance his powers. This Pench canl. If not a circular may issue with his best magis canl to invest with II class powers.

with II class powers & gushan magis canl invest with II class powers. W. M. canl invest with II class powers. W. M. canl invest with II class powers.

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7) The Dist Magistrates of Mysore, Bangalore, Shimoga & Kadir have been empowered by Govt to invest the Hony Magistrates of the Bench Courts of their districts with power to try cases of an ordinary nature such as Theft of a less serious kind, Simple hurt & assault.

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8) The Bench Magistrates of Mysore, Kadir & Shimoga have been invested with powers under Sec 190. Subsection (1) Clauses (a) & (b) of Cr. P. Code viz. to take Cognizance  
(a) upon Complaints  
(b) " police reports.

9) The Bench Magistrates of Bangalore Dist have also been invested with powers under Sec 190. Subsection (1) Clauses (a) & (b) of Cr. P. Code. A Circular to the Dist Magistrates is submitted with reference to para 6.

10) proposals to enhance the powers of the Bench Magistrates do not appear to have been called for.

8/26/44. 11) Drafts letter subd. for appl. or other orders. A copy of the Town notes of the Chitt 2d is also put up.

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3rd Member

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12) I have put up a 1926  
Circular to the District Magistrates.  
It is approved by the Member  
Muzee & since to day  
D. M.  
27/4

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to

The District Magistrates of districts.  
Circular No. G. 20275-82 of 27-4-21.

Request them to forward a list showing  
the class of cases. The Bench Magistrates in  
their districts are empowered to try & inform  
that Govt. are of opinion to invest them with  
full powers of a 3rd class magistrate & call  
for suitable proposals in the matter

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From  
The District Magistrate, Kader.

Letter no 8205 of 70/20.21 of 26.5.21

States that the Honorary magistrates in the Taluks are  
men of meagre education, without any knowledge of law  
and being business men having no leisure to attend  
courts or to realize their responsibilities and that  
therefore they are empowered to try offences under sections  
352, 323 & 524 P.P.C.

3) The District Magistrate is not favourable to invest the  
Bench Court with full powers of a magistrate of the third class.

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The replies from the other District magistrates  
may if approved be awaited.  
Submitted for orders

B. S. S.

30/5/21

25

Jm

The District magistrate, Hassan dt  
Letter no 79-20 of 30.5.1921

With reference to dt: 20, forwards a copy of letter addressed  
to the Registrar being Court recommending that the District  
Court may be empowered to try cases under the Municipal  
Regulation, Health Inspectors Act, Police and Vaccination  
Regulations, until a competent Chairman  
knowing criminal <sup>law</sup> is formed and appointed.

15)

subd

The replies from the other districts may be awaited

B. S. S.

2/6/21

26

Jm

The District magistrate, Bangalore dt.

Letter no 22015 231 of 10.6.1921

Forward a list showing the powers which the  
Hon: magistrates are empowered to try and states  
that the powers they are now empowered with  
are sufficient and that they need not be empowered  
with all the powers of Third class magistrate.

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Submitted. with a draft to the other dt magistrates

B. S. S.

NOTE--Contn. sheet.

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17) J. S. S.

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- (19) Replies from the District magistrates of Kolar, Kadur and Shunioga are yet due. No reply is necessary from Kolar as there is no District magistrate's court in the District. The District magistrate Kadur has been furnished with a copy of the circular which he wanted, only yesterday. If approved the District magistrate Shunioga, may be reminded submitted with a draft and fair.

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20) if (1/11/21)  
17-3/8

Rem no 554 dt 3-8-1921

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from  
District magistrate Shunioga  
Letter no 556 dt 10-8-1921

States that unless a better qualified and experienced class of gentlemen are available, it is better to give them only limited powers and not the full powers of Third Class magistrate.

The District magistrate is not in favour of conferring these powers with the full powers of a Third Class magistrate except in Shekarpur and Shethahalli.

- 22) The reply from the District magistrate Kadur has not been received. Submitted with a draft reminder

26/8/21

23) if (1/11/21)

17-3/8

Rem no 849 dt 19-8-21

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Secretariat.

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From

The District Magistrate Kadur  
Letter no 22 Dis 36 of 23.8.1921

States that the Bench Court at Chikmagalur  
may be invested with full third class powers  
and that the other Courts may be allowed to  
gain experience for another year before they  
are invested with full powers

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Submitted with a statement showing the  
class of cases which the Bench Courts are empowered  
to try and recommendations whether full third  
class powers can be given to these Bench Courts.

Except Bangalore and Tumkur District Magistrates  
all the rest <sup>do</sup> have not express very high opinion  
of these Bench Courts. The District Magistrate Chikmagalur  
recommends that the Bench Courts at Chikmagalur  
and Chikarpet alone may be invested with the  
full powers. Only in Tumkur, the Bench  
Courts have been empowered with full powers.  
All the District Magistrates recommended that  
the full powers of a third <sup>class</sup> Magistrate may be  
invested after these Courts have gained  
some experience.

Submitted with reference to paragraph (6) of the  
notes for orders.

25) 26/8/21 (2nd Member)  
26/8/21

General and Revenue  
Secretariat.

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All the Courts at District Head Quarters  
may be put 3rd class powers  
in the Courts may be put 3rd  
by the Courts when the value of the  
property lost does not exceed Rs. 100.  
The Courts may be put 3rd  
and the Courts may be put 3rd  
of work with a District Court at  
District Head Quarters with a view to  
the Courts may be put 3rd.

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15/5/21

26) There are no District Magistrate Courts at all in Koda.  
Sub. All the District Magistrate Courts  
at the District Head Quarters except at the District  
Head Quarters where there is no Court at all. These  
have been invested with second class Magistrate  
powers. Submitted for orders.

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This may be a collection of the  
supplies for the District Court at the District  
Head Quarters during the year 1921.

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Enlargement  
Bench of the  
District Court  
at the District  
Head Quarters  
during the year  
1921.

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From

The District Judge, Bangalore

Letter no F. D. 100 2, 1922

States that, there are no Bench cases in his District and that where completed cases are available, correspond with Criminal law and procedure. The full period of three months in the 3rd year of the present year is given.

Rule

29) The result of the Deputy Com is meeting may be awaited if approved

25-10-21

30) That will settle the matter 28.10.21

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SUBJECT No. 54.

Powers of Bench Courts.

Messrs (1) B. Srinivasa Iyengar and R. Subba Rao, Anekal Taluk; Gubbiah, Anekal Municipality and (2) A. Srikanthappa, Dodballapur Municipality.

Mr. B. Srinivasa Iyengar.—(1) Once in every three months these Magistrates are changed. When the new set of Magistrates comes, even minor cases already tried by the other set of Magistrates are ordered to be tried *de novo*, which practice, I think is not necessary. There is no restriction in Criminal Procedure Code but High Courts have held Section 350 not applicable to Bench Courts.

Justice Mr. K. S. Chandrasekhara Aiyar.—These cases are summarily tried and evidence is not generally recorded, and as such it is desirable to try the case *de novo*.

Mr. B. Srinivasa Iyengar.—Whole evidence is recorded. There are no summary trials.

Third Member of Council.—Why not they go to the same Bench again?

Mr. B. Srinivasa Iyengar.—It is not possible. The period of tenure at least should be extended to one year or six months.

Mr. A. Srikanthappa.—(2) It is very necessary that Bench courts must be invested with powers under Section 480 of the Criminal Procedure Code to try cases falling under Sections 175, 178, 179, 180 and 228 of the Indian Penal Code. Unless these powers are invested these courts will not be looked upon with respect. While Mr. Venkataramiah was a Chairman of the Dodaballapur Bench court a case of disrespect to the court occurred and the Magistrate could not take any action since he was not invested with those powers. He had to apply to the Deputy Commissioner to deal with the man. Hence it is necessary that the Bench Courts should be invested with these powers.

Mr. Vema Reddi.—The present practice of changing the Magistrates once in 3 months may be changed to six months, in cases where the Magistrates are willing to continue, in which case there will not be much room for cases being tried *de novo* twice or thrice.

Mr. Hutchveeregowda.—If more powers are to be given to these magistrates, it must be thought twice before it is granted. Some of them are irresponsible men, and men who would like to take advantage to wreak vengeance on their antagonists. It is better if police cases are not tried in these Bench Courts.

Third Member of Council.—Noted for consideration, in connection with the question of increasing the powers of Bench Magistrates.

31) The resolutions passed at the deputy commissioner's meeting on this subject, have not yet been received. The Revenue Dept may be requested to put them up if orders on them have been passed 32) Yes.

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Reminders to the  
Press. W. H. R.  
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in receipt from R. Srinivasa Iyengar  
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Submitted into a copy of the Abstract of discussions held at the Dy. Commissioners' meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> October 1924.

27) The discussions reveal that the Deputy Commissioners are not in favour of enhancing the powers of the Bench Courts except in the two cities, for variety of competent men. It was decided that no further action is taken for the subject no 54 of 21 brought up for discussion in the recent Annual Session of R.A. It was urged that the Bench Courts should be given powers under sections 175, 178, 179, 180 and 208 G.O.C. In view of the discussions of the Deputy Commissioners it is a point for consideration whether any enhanced powers may be given to the Bench magistrates in the various taluqs.

28) Kind attention is also invited to the concluding remarks of the Dewan (Flag T) in the linked file.

28) Following, there is a suggestion from the Chief Court, regarding 'De Novo' trials in Bench Courts, regarding the remedy that is to be adopted - Please put it up.

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29) That reference forms a separate file  
the representation is also referred to therein.  
That file also is linked herewith for  
order.

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30) 22/11/21 ✓ 40) The question of  
increasing the powers of the  
Bench Courts was discussed at the  
Deputy Commissioners Meeting, and  
it was thought inadvisable to increase  
their powers, except in the two cities.  
That aspect of the question may therefore  
be dropped for the present.

Flag G.

41) It was urged in the  
Representative Assembly that Bench  
Courts might be invested with powers  
under Sec 350 of the Cr. Procedure Code  
to avoid frequent 'De Novo' trials.  
The Cr. Pr. Code is not in their way;  
but the decisions of the High Courts are  
that the section is inapplicable to  
Bench Courts. The Chief Court has  
just now suggested a remedy, which  
may be adopted with advantage.  
Part heard cases may be posted before  
the same Bench, and though it means  
delay, it avoids 'De Novo' trials, which

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may mean more delay.

42) It was further urged that these Courts may be invested with powers under Sec 480 Cr. Pr. Code to try cases falling under Secs 175, 178, 179, 180 ~~and~~ 228 of Indian Penal Code — offences relating to Contempt of Court, refusing to take an oath, to answer questions & to produce documents. As the offences under those Sections are triable by the Court in which the offence occurred, I am not sure if any further investing of power under Sec 480 is necessary. I am inclined to think that the power exists, as there does not appear to be any reservation so far as the procedure is concerned. The procedure (Cr. Pr. Code) is the same for all Courts, and there is no reservation, ~~if~~ so far as Bench Courts are concerned. The recommendation of the Ch. Court on the 182 point may be approved, and regarding the second, the members informed that no investiture under Sec 480 is necessary.

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Done  
22.2.22

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47) Please put up a clean  
copy as revised.

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48) Clean draft Subd

Done  
25/2

*[Signature]*  
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49) In approval

Com Secy

Case

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50) Sft may be appd

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3<sup>rd</sup> member) 51) appd

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52) Subd to be done before issue

53) Please circulate this is  
an important matter

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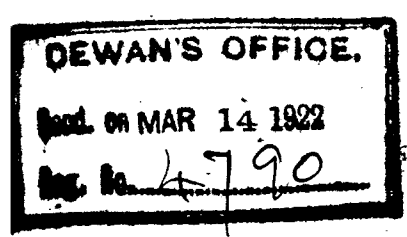
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54) Please note. Comply

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54) Under section 15 of the ex. P.C. the benches of many magistrates are ~~appointed~~ created and invested with powers to dispose of cases referred to them by the District Magistrates. Presently, cases of theft are even now being referred in accordance with para 1 of G.O. No. J 3215-cls 202-09-5 dated 19.4.1909.

Subd with ref to para 52 supra. The Draft Rules follow the order of the 3rd Member - 87 that representations made have to be put a place, it will have to be revised.

55) Rules were framed for the guidance of Bench Magistrates in the year 1909 (Flag E). The present order will be a supplement to those rules, and particularly to rule 1, which authorises Distt Magistrates to specify the cases to be tried by the Bench Magistrates. The present order will be a direction to the District Magistrate.

56) The present file relates to enhancement of the powers of the Bench Courts - vide note of the member on 11-4-1917. The representation of the R.A. members (Flag G), was

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attached only last year, as it related to the enhancement of the powers of Bench Courts. The present order does not deal with the powers asked for in flag G. The first portion of the representation is already worked up in a different file, the opinion of the Ch. Court, ~~and~~ obtained and an order passed. No orders have been passed however in the second portion.

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Mr Ch. Secy with Compliments for circulation

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Subject. -

Proposal for increasing the powers  
of Bench Courts.

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OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

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The Registrar Chief Court 9. 4919.

D. M. of Dts. 9. No. 6910-18

Dated 25. 4. 22.

Intimate the investiture of the Hon. Bench Magistrate at Taluk Head quarters with powers to try cases of theft where the value does not exceed Rs 50/- and those at Hq. quarter town with powers of a third class Magistrate, when they are not already invested with such powers.

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the file.

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Statement showing the class of cases which the Third class Bench Courts are empowered to try and the recommendations etc., for enlarging their powers.

| Sl.No. | District.        | The class of cases which the Bench Courts are empowered to try                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Recommendation.                                                                                                                                                    |
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|        |                  | Under Penal Code.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Under other laws.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1.     | Chitaldrug Dt.   | Secs. 352, 323 and 504.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Not furnished.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Not in favour of enlarging their powers for some time to come.                                                                                                     |
| 2.     | Hassan District. | " 323, 352, 504 and 379 where the value of the property lost does not exceed Rs. 5/-.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Offences under Municipal Regulation, Cattle Trespass Act, Police Regulation and the Vaccination Regulation.                                                                                                                                                                                  | do.                                                                                                                                                                |
| 3.     | Bangalore Dt.    | Ss. 352, 323, 379 (in which the value of the property lost does not exceed Rs. 50/-) 426, 504, 160, 285, 289, 336, 447, 448 & 510 and Power to take cognizance of any offence under Sec. 190 (a) of the Criminal Procedure Code. Power to take cognizance of offence or Police report under Sec. 190(b) of the Cr. Procedure Code. | The Mysore Municipal Regulation, The Vaccination Regulation. The Public Conveyance Regulation. The Regulation for the prevention of cruelty to animals. The Village Sanitation Regulation and rules. The Village Police rules. The Cattle Trespass Act. The Elementary Education Regulation. | States that after seeing their competence, he has extended <del>his</del> powers and after sometime the full powers of the Third class Magistrate may be invested. |
| 4.     | Tumkur District. | 160, 323, 352, 426 and 504, 379 - where the value of the property lost does not exceed Ra. 10/-.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Police Regulation. Mysore Vaccination Regulation, Municipal Regn. Cases that may be referred by the District Magistrate.                                                                                                                                                                     | Empowered with full Third class powers from July 1921.                                                                                                             |
| 5.     | Mysore District. | 352, 323, 379. Where the value of the property lost does not exceed Rs. 25/-                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Village Sanitation Regulation. Police Regulation. Village Police Rules, Cattle Trespass Act and Vaccination Regulation.                                                                                                                                                                      | Not in favour of enlarging their powers for sometime.                                                                                                              |
| 6.     | Shimoga Dt.      | 140, 160, 170, 171, 172, 277, 278, 279, 285, 286, 289, 290, 294A, 223, 334, 336, 352, 356, 357, 358, 403, 426, 504, 510.                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Village Sanitation Regulation, Police Regulation & Village Police rules, Cattle Trespass Act and Vaccination Regulation.                                                                                                                                                                     | Except in Shikarpur and Thirthahalli, the powers of a Third class Magistrate need not be invested for the present.                                                 |

7. Kadur District. Not furnished.

Not furnished.

Recommends that the Chikmagalur Court may be invested with full third class powers and that the other courts may be *allowed* to gain experience.

8. Kolar District.

No Bench Court in Kolar District. -

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Abdulhamid  
In Civil Dept.  
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Proposal for increasing the powers of Bench Courts.

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On the 17<sup>th</sup> July 1921 certain residents of the midgere Taluk. District - petitioned to the Deccan District Magistrate that the Jg. Amildar may be re-vested with 2<sup>nd</sup> class magisterial powers & that the Bench Court may be abolished or to <sup>establish</sup> ~~appoint~~ a Special Magistrate's Court at midgere.

Referred to Bench  
in Sept

Circular no. G. 20275-82 of 27<sup>th</sup> 4/21 was thereupon issued to all District Magistrates calling for ~~a~~ <sup>their</sup> opinion re. investing Bench Magistrate with 2<sup>nd</sup> class powers together with a list showing the nature of the cases they are empowered to try.

The above information was received by the end of August 1921.

Para 27 of the notes.

On the 16<sup>th</sup> September 1921 the 2<sup>nd</sup> members ordered that the subject may be included for discussion at the next Dy. Commr's meeting.

The question of 'De novo' trial and giving increased powers to Bench Courts was also discussed at the <sup>Deccan</sup> R. A. ~~at the end~~ 1921 at the end of which it was noted for consideration.

Para 44 of notes

The 3<sup>rd</sup> member is of opinion that Bench Courts at Jg. Hd. Qrs. may be given the power to try.

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Cases - of theft in which the value of the property lost is Rs 100/- & the Dist. Hd. Pr. Courts with full powers of 2nd class Magistrates in places where they are not given 2nd class powers.

A draft approved by the members as above is in the file.

When the papers were sent to the Dewan he was pleased to refer them to the Council and enquired the authority under which the proposal to raise the limit of value of property could be sanctioned observing at the same time that his order does not cover the representations.

The file was then referred back to the Legis. Council for noting upon the Dewan's observations.

### Point for orders.

The draft which is approved by the members is for consideration and orders.

Para 53 of note.

For the note of  
of the A.S. Depy Secy  
please see paras 54-57 of  
the note.

### Sub:

The concluding portion  
of the draft does not  
tally with the members'  
orders in the note (para 4)

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| <p>(2) Necessary instructions may be issued.</p> <p>(1) In half-a-dozen taluks where the decrease is most noticeable (as may be ascertained from the census records), a proper enquiry as to how far the ploughs of improved pattern have come into use should be conducted and the result reported. The Director of Agriculture will be requested to arrange for this.</p> <p>(2) The decrease in sheep and goats is a matter of real concern. The taluks in which the decrease is more than 7 per cent and 30 per cent respectively should be selected for a detailed investigation of the causes that have resulted in such loss. The Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department, should undertake this work. An order may issue accordingly.</p> <p>The Director may be requested to submit detailed proposals for the orders of Government giving the figures of castrations by taluks, so as to indicate where urgent relief is needed.</p> | <p>(2) Incomplete works should be carried out before fresh estimates are sanctioned and new works taken up—Estimated should not be sanctioned so as to exceed the budget allotment—Works should be carried out as soon as estimates are sanctioned.</p> <p>(1) In the opinion of the Director of Agriculture, the decrease in the number of ploughs by 1 per cent is inappreciable, as several new ploughs of improved pattern had been introduced, one such plough being equal to 10 old ones.</p> <p>(2) The decrease in goats by 30 per cent is no matter for concern as it will not affect agriculture as they are not used for agricultural purposes. Only their droppings are used as manure for certain plants.</p> <p>As the consideration of the general question of constituting a special agency will take some time, the decision already arrived at with regard to the reservation of 50 per cent of the lands surrendered by the Amrut Mahal Department for the benefit of the depressed classes, may be given effect to.</p> <p>The Director of Agriculture pointed out that inferior bulls had been castrated on a large scale with the result that sufficient bulls were not available for covering purposes. He suggested the establishment of breeding stations where Amrut Mahal bulls or other bulls of equally good species should be made available, at the age of 6 for service.</p> | <p>(1) Shortage of ploughs and carts.</p> <p>(2) Decrease of sheep and goats.</p> <p>(3) Small increase of bulls and bullocks.</p> <p>Necessity for good breeding bulls.</p> | <p>Agricultural resources.</p> <p>Grant of lands to the appointment of a special agency for the amelioration of their condition.</p> <p>Improvement of live stock.</p> |
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Abstract of discussions at the Deputy Commissioners' meeting held at Mysore on 21st October 1921—*contd.*

| Serial No. | Subject                      | Points discussed                                                                                                                                                                                    | Brief abstract of discussions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Action proposed to be taken                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| 3.         | Village Forest Scheme.       | Whether any further measures are necessary to popularize the scheme and give impetus to the Forest Panchayets.                                                                                      | <p>(4) The Revenue Commissioner wanted facilities for making copies of his circular instructions for communication to patels and raiyats.</p> <p>The whole scheme is being worked under the direction of the Revenue Commissioner and he is carefully watching the work of the Panchayets. The Panchayets are doing useful work under the guidance of the Special Officer. He is doing good work and has selected certain blocks for special supervision. Progress under this scheme is far more satisfactory than that under the Tank Panchayet scheme.</p> <p>The Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, said that the scheme was not suitable for malnad areas.</p> | <p>4. He may be asked to state what facilities are needed, and what money is required to meet the cost of providing such facilities.</p> <p>No further action is needed for the present.</p> <p>Orders have recently been passed reducing the minimum area to 50 acres and empowering Panchayets to dispose of the forest produce therein except tangadi (and kakke) and sandalwood.</p> <p>Village Forests are constituted only if the Deputy Commissioner and Revenue Commissioner recommend and if a Deputy Commissioner does not require it in any locality; he need not recommend.</p> |
| 4.         | Large Landed Estates Scheme. | As the progress made so far under the scheme is not encouraging, whether there are any difficulties in the working of the existing rules, and what measures are necessary to secure better results. | <p>(1) In the opinion of the Director of Agriculture, the scheme is not quite a success.</p> <p>(2) Darkhasts under the ordinary rules for land out of areas selected for being granted as large landed estates, should not be rejected summarily in anticipation but disposed of on the merits.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <p>(1) The Revenue Commissioner may be requested to expedite the report already called for from him as to the working of the estates already formed.</p> <p>(2) An order may issue to this effect.</p> <p>3. And also to submit his proposals to make the scheme more successful in general.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5.         | Rural water-supply.          | The progress in the sinking of drinking water wells in rural areas, not being quite satisfactory what further measures are necessary to achieve better results.                                     | <p>(1) The Deputy Commissioners of Kadur and Shimoga wanted more funds, as the allotment now made was not sufficient. The Deputy Commissioners of Tumkur and Shimoga explained the necessity for a larger percentage for supervision charges.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |



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~~to the District Magistrate~~

Circular

To

The Dist. Magistrates of Districts

Sir

I am directed to request you to

be so good as to forward a list

showing the class of cases  
~~of the following nature entrusted to the Bench~~

Magistrates in your district are  
empowered to try —

No practice does not seem to

be uniform & in some places the

Bench Magistrates do not appear

to have been empowered to try even

ordinary cases of Theft under s.

379 of the I. P. C.

Since the Benches of Magistrates  
are doing useful work, Govt.

are of opinion that  
opportunities may be  
taken to <sup>develop the scheme</sup> ~~follow the B.C.~~  
to allow the Bench magistrates  
to exercise the full powers  
of a 3<sup>rd</sup> class mag<sup>te</sup>, except  
the preventive powers to be  
exercised by ex officio magistrates,  
whenever competent men are  
available for the purpose. It seems to be  
desirable to remove the limit of  
the value of the properties in the  
cases <sup>for example</sup> so as to enable police officers  
to place charge sheets before the Courts  
of Bench mag<sup>te</sup> & provide further  
scope for useful work to the latter.

I am to request you to be  
so good as to send up suitable proposals  
in the light of the above remarks before the  
<sup>meeting 1<sup>st</sup> of June 1921</sup>  
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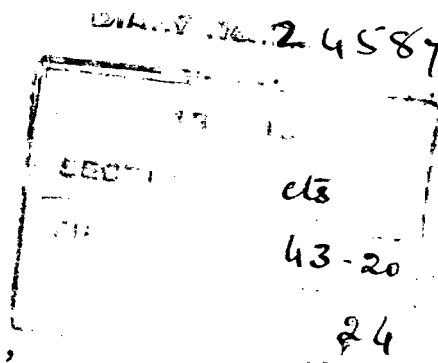
Dated Chitaldrug, 23rd May 1921.

From

C. Venkata Rao Esquire, B.A.,  
District Magistrate,  
Chitaldrug District.

To

B. Ramaswamiya Esquire, B.A., B.L.,  
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,  
Revenue Department, Bangalore.



Sir,

Adverting to your ~~190000~~ letter No. G.20775-32/Cts.40-20-29 dated 27th April 1921, I have the honor to state that so far as my experience goes, the Honorary Magistrates in the Taluks are - men of meagre education. They have no knowledge of law, or procedure and the Pleaders fight shy of the Bench Courts. Therefore the Bench Courts have no opportunities of improving their knowledge. Being business men they have little leasure to attend Courts or to realize their responsibilities.

As the system is still in an experimental stage, the Bench Courts are empowered to try offences only under Sections 352, 323 and 504 Indian Penal Code. I enclose a copy of Chief Court Registrar's letter No.C.1008/20-21 dated 22nd April 1921.

I have the honor to be,

S I R,

Your most obedient servant,

*[Signature]*  
District Magistrate,  
Chitaldrug District.  
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From

G. Venkata Rao Esq. P.M.  
District-Magistrate

To

Chidambaram  
P. Ramaswamiya Esq.  
Secretary to the Government  
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Letter No. C.1008/20-21 dated 22nd April 1921 from the Registrar of Chief Court of Mysore, to the District Magistrate, Chitaldrug Dt.

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District Magistrate,  
Chitaldrug District.  


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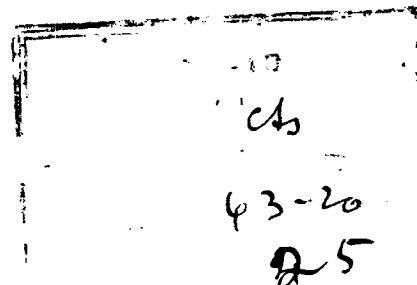
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Office of the District Magistrate,  
Hassan District,  
Dated Hassan the 30th May 1921.

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From

B. Venkoba Rao, Esquire, B.A.,  
District Magistrate,  
Hassan District.



To

B. Ramaswamiah, Esquire, B.A., B.L.?

Secretary to the Government of His Highness  
the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department,  
B a n g a l o r e.

S i r,

Adverting to your letter No. G. 20275-82/Cts. 43-20-20 dated the 27th ultimo, requesting me to give my opinion in the matter of allowing the Bench Magistrates to exercise the full powers of a 3rd class Magistrate, I have the honor to forward herewith for information copy of letter No. C. 1008/20-21 dated the 24<sup>th</sup> April 1921 from the Registrar Chief Court and copy of my letter No. 79-20/J dated 28th May 1921 sent in reply thereto and to state that my views on the subject are as expressed in my letter to the Registrar.

As required in para 1 of your letter under reply, I enclose herein a list showing the class of cases that the --- Bench Courts in the District are empowered to try.

I have the honor to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

District Magistrate,

Hassan District.

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From

B. Sukkoo & Rao B. P.  
District Magistrate  
Tassar District

To

B. Ramaswami Srinivas  
B. A. P. S.

Secretary to the Government of

H. H. Maharaja of Mysore  
Dated 30th Revenue Department

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Enclosure No. 3

Subject

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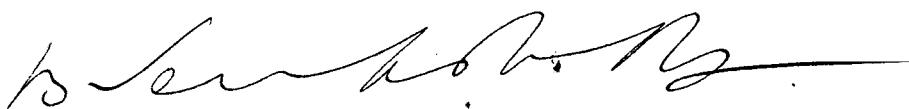
Letter No. C.1008/20-21 dated 22nd April 1921 from the Registrar of the Chief Court of Mysore, Bangalore, to the District Magistrate, Hassan District.

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" C O P Y. "



District Magistrate,

Hassan District.

Letter No.79-20/J. dated 28th May 1921, from the District Magistrate, Hassan District, to the Registrar of the Chief Court of Mysore, Bangalore.

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Adverting to ~~your~~ your letter No.C.1008/20-21 dated the 22nd instant requesting me to give ~~my~~ opinion on the suggestion that the Bench Courts should be confined to small Municipal cases and the like and not be entrusted with the trial of crimes unless ~~they~~ have a chairman who knows something of the Criminal Law, I have the honor to state that though the formation of the Bench Courts is a desirable reform the difficulty in finding competent men to form such Courts is great and this ~~office~~ <sup>difficulty</sup> may continue for some years to come. I would therefore suggest that these Courts may be confined to offences under the Municipal Regulation, the Cattle Tresspass Act, Police Regulation and the Vaccination Regulation in cases where there is no -- chairman who knows something of the <sup>criminal</sup> law. In such cases the Bench may also at the descretion of the District Magistrate be entrusted with the trial of offences under sections 323, 352, and 504 I.P.C. and section 379 I.P.C. when the value of the ~~property~~ <sup>lost</sup> does not exceed Rs5/-.

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District Magistrate,  
 Hassan District.

List showing the class of cases that the Bench Magistrates Court in the Hassan are empowered to try.

| No | Name of Court                                                                              | Particulars                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| 1  | Bench Magistrates Court Hassan.<br>(The Magistrates are 2 <sup>nd</sup> class Magistrates) | Secs 160, 277, 279, 290, 323 341, 352, 355, 358, 426 441, 448, 504 and 570 I. P. C., offences under the Criminal Regulation, Cattle Trespass Act, the Police Regulation the Vaccination Regulation. |
| 2  | Do Asikere Taluk<br>(3 <sup>rd</sup> class Magistrates)                                    | Secs 323 352 and 504 I. P. C and 379 I. P. C when the value of the property lost does not exceed Rs 500                                                                                             |
| 3  | Do Holenarsipur Taluk.<br>(3 <sup>rd</sup> class Magistrates)                              | Secs 323 352 and 504 I. P. C and 379 I. P. C when the value of the property lost does not exceed Rs 500                                                                                             |

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From

Office of the District Magistrate,  
Bangalore District,

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Dated Bangalore, the 10th June 1921.

M. A. Narayana Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,  
District Magistrate,  
Bangalore District.

To

B. Ramaswamaya, Esq., B.A., B.L.,  
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,  
Revenue Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G.20275-82/Cts.43-20-21 dated the 27th April 1921 calling for a list of cases the Bench of Magistrates in this District are empowered to try and requesting to send up suitable proposals in the matter of allowing Bench Magistrates to exercise the full powers of a third class magistrate except the preventive powers to be exercised by Ex-Officio Magistrates, I have the honor to enclose herein a memo showing the class of cases the Taluk Bench Magistrates in this District are empowered to try.

As regards the investing the full powers of a third class magistrate to these Courts, I noticed during my recent inspection of these courts that the work turned out by them was fairly satisfactory and as the Bench deserved to be invested with more powers, they are further empowered by me to take cognizance of offences falling under Sections. 277, 278, 279, 341, 358 and 380 Indian Penal Code in which the value of the property lost does not exceed Rs.50/- from 1st July 1921. As it was only two years ago the Bench Courts were established, I think the investiture of the above powers for the present is sufficient and the value of the properties in theft cases also may be limited to -

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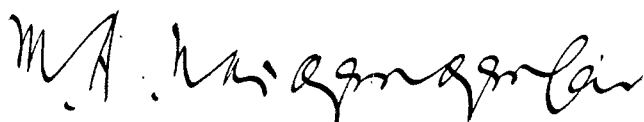
to Rs.50/- as above. The question of giving them full powers of a third class magistrate may therefore be considered later on.

In this connection I send enclosed for the information of Government letter No.C.1008 of 20-21 dated 20th/21st April 1921, from the Registrar of the Chief Court and my reply thereto, from which it will be seen that a formal complaint was made by Advocates in Bangalore to the Chief Judge alleging very inefficient work by these courts, a complaint which appears to me unjustifiable.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,



District Magistrate,  
Bangalore District.

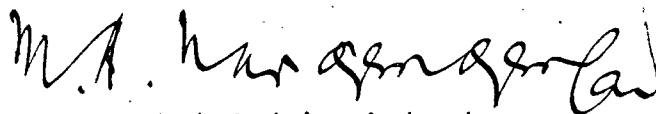
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MEMO SHOWING THE CLASS OF CASES THE TALUK BENCH  
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1. Sections 352, 323, 379 (in which the value of the property lost does not exceed Rs.50/-), 426, 504, 160, 285, 289, 336, 447, 448 & 510 of the Indian Penal Code.
2. Offences under the following special and local laws:-
  - (a) The Mysore Municipal Regulation.
  - (b) The Vaccination Regulation.
  - (c) The Public Conveyance Regulation.
  - (d) The Regulation for the prevention of Cruelty to animals.
  - (e) The Village Sanitation Regulation and rules.
  - (f) The Village Police Rules.
  - (g) Cattle Trespass Act.
  - (h) Elementary Education Regulation.
3. Power to take cognizance of any offence upon receiving a complaint of facts which constitute such offence Section 190 (a) Criminal Procedure Code.
4. Power to take cognizance of any offence upon a Police report of such facts Section. 190 (b) Criminal Procedure Code.



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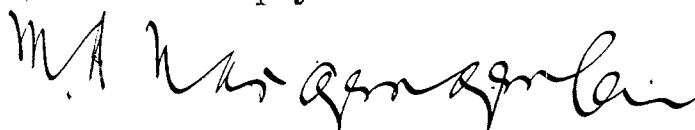
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District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

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" C o p y "

  
District Magistrate,  
Bangalore District.

Letter No.D.2.Dis.229 of 20-21 dated the 3rd June 1921 from the District Magistrate, Bangalore District to the Registrar of the Chief Court of Mysore, Bangalore.

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With reference to your letter No.C.1008 dated the 20th April 1921, stating that it was represented to the Chief Judge at the time of inspection of the Court of the Special First Class Magistrate of Bangalore that the public had no belief in the value of the courts of Honorary Magistrates in Taluks and complained that the Benches had no knowledge of law or procedure and that the advocates suggested that these courts should be confined to small Municipal Cases and the like and not be entrusted with the trial of crimes, unless they have a Chairman who knows something of Criminal law and calling for my opinion in the matter, I have the honor to state that in all the eight Taluks wherein the Benches of Magistrates' Courts have been established there are one or two persons who know something of the criminal law. If the courts are confined to small Municipal cases and the like, there will be no work for the courts as the cases filed under these laws are very few

2. Ever since the courts were established, these are working satisfactorily, the Honorary Magistrates evincing much interest. During my recent inspections of these courts also, I noticed that the work turned out by these courts was satisfactory.

3. The enclosed statement shows the number of cases filed, disposed of and pending in the several Taluk Bench Courts in the District. The Courts have tried 1,445 cases, and the number of cases in which their judgments were modified was 12 making hardly 0.13 per cent. These statistics do not justify the complaint of the advocates. It was only two years ago the courts were established and the courts appear to have already established their usefulness to

Number of Criminal Cases filed and disposed  
District from 1-4-1919 to the

| Serial<br>No. | Name of Courts                                              | Number of<br>Cases<br>filed | Number of<br>Cases<br>disposed of |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1             | Bench Court Anekal Taluk                                    | 238                         | 220                               |
| 2             | do Devanhalli                                               | 150                         | 141                               |
| 3             | do Doddaballapur                                            | 152                         | 126                               |
| 4             | do Magadi                                                   | 287                         | 267                               |
| 5             | do Nelamangala                                              | 113                         | 107                               |
| 6             | do Kunkanhalli                                              | 218                         | 208                               |
| 7             | do Hoskote                                                  | 222                         | 214                               |
| 8             | (from 1-7-1919 to the end of April 1921)<br>do Chennarayana | 183                         | 162                               |
| Total         |                                                             | 1563                        | 1445                              |

ed of by the Bench of Magistrates in the Bangalore  
end of April 1921.

| Pending | Number of Cases in which appeals<br>were preferred and how<br>disposed of |                                     |         | Remarks. |
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|         | Confirmed                                                                 | Modified Retrial<br>and<br>Reversed | ordered |          |
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| 26      | 1                                                                         | 1                                   | 1       |          |
| 20      | 1                                                                         | 1                                   | .       |          |
| 6       | 2                                                                         | 3                                   | 2       |          |
| 10      | 4                                                                         | 2                                   | .       |          |
| 8       | 7                                                                         | .                                   | 1       |          |
| 21      | 2                                                                         | 4                                   | 1       |          |
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M. A. Hanumanthappa  
District Magistrate

for Bangalore District

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Office of the District Magistrate,

Tumkur District, c/s

Dated Tumkur, the 14th June 1921. 43-20 28

From

Ananda Rao S. Sirsi, Esquire, B.A., LL.B.,

District Magistrate, Tumkur District,

T U M K U R.

To

B. Ramaswamaiya, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of His Highness the

Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department,

B A N G A L O R E.

S i r,

With reference to your letter No. G.20275-82/Cts.43-20-20 dated the 27th April 1921 calling for proposals in the matter of allowing the Bench Magistrates to exercise the full powers of 3rd class Magistrates, I have the honour to state that the Bench Magistrates' court here, is doing useful work since its establishment in 1915. A list showing the class of cases, the Bench Magistrates are empowered to try, in this District, is appended hereto. From the list, it is seen that only cases of theft, involving properties less than Rs.10/- are now being tried by the Bench Court and also such cases of theft which are referred to it by the District Magistrate, irrespective of the value of property. From July next the amount will be raised to Rs.50/- and the Bench will also be invested with power to try other third class cases over which they have not been exercising any jurisdiction now.

I have the honour to be,

sir,

your most obedient servant,

*(Signature)*

For District Magistrate,  
Tumkur District.

or (as per H & Qs).

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From

The District Magistrate,  
Tumkur District.

To

The Revenue Secretary to Government,  
B A N G A L O R E.

Dated the 14th June 1921.

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Stating the Bench Magistrates' Court will be invested with <sup>additional</sup> powers to try <sup>other</sup> third class cases (from July next) over which they have no jurisdiction now.

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LIST SHOWING THE CLASSES OF CASES THE BENCH COURT AT TUMKUR IS  
EMPOWERED TO TRY.

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1. Offences under sections 160, 323, 352, 426, and 504 of the Indian Penal Code.
2. Offences under sections 379, Indian Penal Code when the value of subject of theft does not exceed Rs.10/-
3. Offences under sections 56 of the Police Regulations
4. Offences under ~~sections~~ of the Mysore Vaccination Regulation.
5. Offences under ~~sections~~ of Chapter IX and appeals under section 86 of the Municipal Regulation of 1906.
6. Such cases arising in the Tumkur Taluk, as may be referred to them by the District Magistrate.



For District Magistrate,  
Tumkur District.

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From

The District Magistrate,  
Mysore District.

To

The Revenue Secretary to Govt.  
of Mysore, Bangalore.

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1. Assault section 352 I.P.C.
2. Hurt 323 "
3. Theft 329 " *does not exceed Rs (25/-)*
4. Offence under the Village Sanitation Regulation 1 of 1898.
5. do Section 56 of the Police Regulation V of 1908
6. do Village Police Rules
7. do Cattle trespass Act of 1871
8. do Mysore Vaccination Regulation 1 of 1906.

*Furnishing opinion in re  
the investiture of all the  
powers of a Third class  
Magistrate to the Bench  
Courts in this District*

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Office of the District Magistrate,  
Mysore District.

Dated, Mysore, 10th June 1921.

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P.F. Bowring, Esquire,  
District Magistrate,  
Mysore District.

To

B. Rameswamiya, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,  
Secretary to the Government of  
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,  
Revenue Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. G.20275-82 Cts.43-20-20  
of the 27th April 1921, I have the honor to append in the  
enclosed a list of cases the Bench Magistrates in this District  
have been empowered to try. In regard to theft cases, the  
Magistrate at the commencement, been empowered to take up cases  
where the value of the property involved was not more than  
Rs.25/- after this limit of the value was raised to Rs.25/- after  
that, to give them some scope for useful work.  
As things are there are Chairmen forthcoming in the near future  
for something of the Criminal Law, I am afraid it would be  
difficult to entrust <sup>all</sup> these ~~the~~ Benches to exercise the full powers  
of a District Magistrate, although some of them are competent.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

*P. F. Bowring*

District Magistrate,

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Mysore District.

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,  
SHIMOGA DISTRICT. 43-20

Dated, Shimoga 10/11th August 1921.

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From

G. Aravamuduiengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, & District Magistrate,  
SHIMOGA DISTRICT.

To

B. Ramaswamaiya, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department,

B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

With reference to your letters Nos: G.20275-82/Cts., 43-20-20 dated 27th April 1921 and J. 554 dated 3rd August 1921 in the matter of the investiture of the full powers of a Third Class Magistrate to the Honorary Magistrates of the Various Bench Courts in the District, I have the honour to state that the Bench Court at Shimoga exercises the powers of a Second Class Magistrate and the other Courts at the Head Quarters of the Taluks and the Sub Taluk of Kumsi exercise the powers of a Third Class Magistrate.

2. As a precautionary measure however the classes of cases which can be tried by these Courts were defined in the marginally

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|-----------------------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| (1) Memo No: 445 of 20-21 dated 15th November 1920. |  | noted Memoranda, copies of    |
| (2) Memo dated 18th September 1920.                 |  | which are herewith forwarded. |

----- It appears to me that such restriction is wholesome until we are in a position to secure a better qualified and more experienced class of gentlemen to serve as Honorary Magistrates. Where such gentlemen are available as in Thirthahalli or Shikarpur full powers of a Third Class

Magistrate

Magistrate may be granted.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,



District Magistrate, —

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Memorandum.

The Bench of the Honorary Magistrates in Shimoga Town who have been invested under Government Notification No:G.5849/Cts. 18-19-16 dated the 13th September 1920 with powers under Section 190 Sub Section (1) clauses (a) and (b) of the Criminal Procedure Code, to take cognizance of offences (a) upon complaints, and (b) upon Police Reports, are under section 16 clause, (a) of the said Code, hereby empowered to try cases arising within the Taluk of Shimoga (including the Town) and falling under sections of the Indian Penal Code which are shown as triable by "Any Magistrate" and "A Second class Magistrate" in column 8 of Schedule II of the Criminal Procedure Code with the exception of cases falling under the following sections of the Indian Penal Code, namely:-

Sections:- 143, 144, 145, 147, 151, 153, 379 and 380.

Sections:- 135, 136, 137, 138, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158,  
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190, 206, 207, 221, 223, 224, 225, 225 A, 225 B,  
241, 254, 262, 264, 265, 266, 267, 271, 276,  
288, 291, 295, 296, 297, 298, 309, 318, 324,  
325, 335, 337, 338, 342, 343, 344, 345, 347, 353, 354,  
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457, 462, 482, 483, 498 and 508.

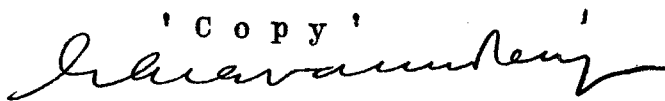
and they shall also try cases arising within the said area and falling under the following Special and Local Laws, namely:-

- (1) Offences falling under section 24 of the Cattle Trespass Act I of 1871.
- (2) Offences falling under the Village Police Rules.
- (3) Offences falling under the Village Sanitation Regulation I of 1898.
- (4) Offences falling under the Mysore Vaccination Regulation I of 1906.

Shimoga,  
15th November 1920.

Sd/- S. Hiriannaiya.  
District Magistrate, Shimoga.

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District Magistrate,  
Shimoga District.

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Memorandum dated 18th September 1920.

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Memorandum.

The Benches of Honorary Magistrates in the Taluks (excepting Shimoga) and the Sub Taluk of the District who have been invested under Government Notification No:G.5849/Cts. 18-19-16 dated the 13th September 1920 with ~~the~~ powers under section 190, Sub Section (1) clauses (a) and (b) of the Criminal Procedure Code to take cognizance of offences (a) upon complaints and (b) upon Police Reports are under section 16 clause (a) of the said Code, hereby empowered to try cases arising within their respective Taluks and Sub Taluk and falling under sections of the Indian Penal Code which are shown as triable by any Magistrate in column 8 of Schedule II of the Criminal Procedure Code, with the exception of the cases falling under the following sections of the Indian Penal Code, viz.,

Sections:- 143, 144, 145, 147, 151, 153, 174, 341, 374, 379, 380, 447, 448 and 451 (first part).

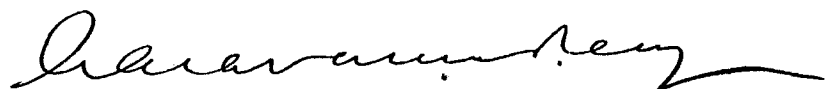
and they shall also try cases arising in their Taluks falling under the following Special and Local Laws:- Viz.,

- (1) Offences falling under the Village Sanitation Regulation I of 1898
- (2) Offences falling under Section 56 of the Mysore Police Regulation VI of 1908.
- (3) Offences falling under the Mysore Village Police Rules.
- (4) Offences falling under Section 24 of the Cattle Trespass Act I of 1871.
- (5) Offences falling under the Mysore Vaccination Regulation I of 1906

Sd/- . S. Hiriannaiya.

District Magistrate, Shimoga District

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District Magistrate,

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Chikmagalur, Dated ..23rd..August..1921.. 43-20  
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Office of the District Magistrate,  
Kadur District.

Chikmagalur, Dated ..23rd..August..1921..

From

K. MYLAR.RAO,...Esquire.B.A., B.L.,

DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,

KADUR DISTRICT.

To

E...RAMASWAMYA,...Esquire.B.A., B.L.,

CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF

HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,  
Revenue Department,  
BANGALORE.

SIR,

With reference to your circular letter No. 20275-82/ Cts. 43-20-20 dated the 27th April 1921 calling for my opinion in the matter of investing the Bench Court with the full powers of a 3rd Class Magistrate, I have the honour to state that the Court at Chikmagalur which has been working for some years past may be given full powers of a third class magistrate but as regards the other Bench Courts which have been recently started, it seems to me that they may be allowed to gain experience for another year before they are invested with full powers.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

*Handwritten signature*  
Treasury Assistant Commissioner,  
For District Magistrate,

*Bsk* Kadur District.

( Absent from Station.)

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From

The District Magistrate,

Kadur District.

To

The ~~Chief~~ Secretary to

the Government of His Highness

the Maharaja of Mysore,

*Revenue Department*  
BANGALORE.

Dated 23<sup>rd</sup>

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SUBJECT

*Furnishes opinion in the  
matter of investing the  
Bench Courts with the full  
powers of a 3<sup>rd</sup> class magis-  
-trates.*

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Office of the District Magistrate, Kolar District.

Dated Kolar, the 27th October 1921.

10-20-10-20  
From                     

Md. Zahiruddin Meccî, Esq., B.A.,

District Magistrate, Kolar District.

To

B. Ramaswamaiya, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

General Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your No: G.20275-82/Cts.48-20-20, dated 27th April 1921, requesting to forward a list, showing the class of cases, the Bench Magistrates in this District, are empowered to try and also requesting to send up suitable proposals for giving enhanced powers, whenever competent men are available, I have the honor to state that there are no Bench Magistrate Courts in the District now and so no list is sent.

2. With regard to the question of giving increased powers to the Bench Magistrates, I am of opinion that where competent men, conversant with criminal law and procedure, are available, they may be empowered to exercise the full powers of a Magistrate of the 3rd Class, except preventive powers, under the Criminal Procedure Code.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

*R. Venkatesh Rao*  
Treasury Assistant Commissioner,  
For District Magistrate,  
Kolar District.  
(absent from station.)  
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From

The District Magistrate,  
Kolar District.

To

The General Secretary to the Government of Mysore, Bangalore.

Dated the 20th October 1921.

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Stating that there <sup>are</sup> no Bench  
Courts in this District, to forward a  
list of the Class of cases, tried in  
those Courts.

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Proceedings of the Government of H.H.

the Maharaja of Mysore.

Order No.

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Dated Bangalore, 25/4/22

The question of increasing the powers of Bench Courts was urged at the Representative Assembly and discussed at the meeting of the Deputy Commissioners held in October 1921.

2 On a full consideration of the suggestions, Government are pleased to direct that the Bench <sup>Courts &</sup> Courts at taluk headquarters be invested with power to try cases of theft where the value of the property does not exceed Rs. <sup>50</sup> ~~100~~ and those at District Headquarters with <sup>limited</sup> full powers of a Third Class Magistrate. <sup>where they are not</sup> already invested with such powers.

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Genl. Secretary to Govt

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The Registrar, Chief Court.

The District Magistrates of Dts.

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# Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

## GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS

G. O. No. J. 4910-18—Cts. 43-20-33, dated 25th April 1922

### Powers of Bench Courts

Lays down rules regarding the —

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ORDER No. J. 4910-18—Cts. 43-20-33, DATED 25TH APRIL 1922.

The question of increasing the powers of Bench Courts was urged at the Representative Assembly and discussed at the meeting of the Deputy Commissioners held in October 1921.

2. On a full consideration of the suggestions, Government are pleased to direct that the Courts of Benches of Magistrates at Taluk Headquarters be invested with power to try cases of theft where the value of the property does not exceed Rs. 50 and those at District Headquarter towns with the full powers of a Third Class Magistrate when they are not already invested with such powers.

S. HIRIANNAIYA,  
*Genl. Secy. to Govt.*

To—The Registrar, Chief Court of Mysore  
The District Magistrates of Districts.

Exd.—K, P. S.